Development which operates the scheme for the Adarsh Mahavidyalayas, the salary grant released by them on 25-6-02 to Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya, Jangla, Himachal Pradesh was returned to them by the Mahavidyalaya. The bank account of the Mahavidyalaya is jointly operated by the Chairman of the Managing Committee and the Principal of the College. The appointment of the Chairman of the Managing Committee has been stayed by Court. As a result, the salary grant released to the college by the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, could not be deposited since the bank account has become non-operational. As soon as the stay on the functioning of the Chairman is vacated, the grant would be made available to the Mahavidyalaya by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.

(c) and (d) The services of the employees of Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalayas are not transferable. As per the scheme Principal is appointed by the Managing Committee.

(e) No, Sir. The Government has no proposal to dissolve the existing Managing Committee.

Action plan to protect the rights of children

431. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) has there been an action plan recently to protect the rights of children;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how would it help to protect the children's rights?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA): (a) to (c) The Government is in the process of preparing a National Plan of Action for Children which will contain the goals, objectives and strategies in order to improve the situation of the children in the country.

Rank to private engineering and management colleges

432. SHRI R.P. GOENKA:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to rank all licenced private engineering and management colleges;

(b) if so, the criteria for proposed gradation;

(c) the number of such approved institutions in the country; and

(d) machinery established, if any, to regularly monitor the performance of these institutions to decide on the continuance of their entitlement to a particular grade and also to suitably publicise their ranking?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (d) As per the information furnished by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) they have initiated the process of Performance Appraisal System for all such institutions which have not been accredited. AICTE has invited applications from the institutions. The institutions with 85% or more score will be graded as Excellent; between 75%-85% as Very Good; between 65%-75% as Good; between 55%-65% as Average and below 55% as Poor.

Setting up of university in Senegal

433. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Senegal Government has sought India's help to set up a university there; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Inclusion of magic in syllabus

†434. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are seriously considering to include magic in syllabus;

(b) if so, the justification for the same; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.